

# 'Learning Unlimited' Theme for Schools

ANN LANDERS



## Cheer Up, Alfie!

Dear Ann Landers: People write to you about all sorts of things. I want to talk to you about my parrot. He has taught me more about unselfish love than any human I ever knew, including my mother.

Hans Wurst was given to me by a friend who had to leave town. I didn't want him. I gave him away twice. Both times the people brought him back. He talks a blue streak and some of the things he says aren't very nice.

Hans is beautiful. He is affectionate. He is interesting. He also bites people who tease him. He keeps me up nights shrieking and cussing. He makes a mess of his cage and is a finicky eater.

So, Ann, suggest a bird for people who don't want cats or dogs. The only thing that saddens me is the thought that Hans will not live forever and I will miss him desperately when he goes.—ALFIE.

Dear Alfie: Cheer up. The life expectancy of a parrot runs anywhere from 15 to 80 years. Hans might be around longer than you, Bub.

Dear Ann Landers: Your advice to the woman who had the phony fainting spells was wrong. I know from experience because my sister-in-law has been pulling the same stuff for 20 years.

Her husband has spent a fortune on doctors and hospital bills. No one has been able to find anything wrong with her. Now, instead of having her phony attacks once a month, she has them six times a week.

This woman spends most of her time in bed watching TV. She has a tantrum if she isn't waited on fast enough. Her medication is nothing but tranquilizers. She has everyone under her thumb and it is nauseating.

You say people like this need compassion and understanding. I say her husband should have called her bluff years ago and thrown her out on her ear. So please stop covering up for these phony Ann Landers. Don't suggest compassion and understanding. Suggest the booby hatch. They are nuts. — NO SYMPATHY FOR PRETENDERS.

Dear no Sympathy: Your angry recital is filled with contradictions. On one hand you say your sister-in-law is a phony and her husband should have called her bluff years ago. On the other hand you say she should be in the booby hatch because she is nuts.

A woman who spends most of her time in bed even though the doctors can find nothing wrong with her has PLENTY wrong. She is copping out because she can't face life. The woman is emotionally ill and this type of illness can be as incapacitating as two broken legs. It is difficult to explain this to one who has not experienced emotional illness but, take my word for it, these unfortunate folks suffer a living Hell.

Confidential to Mad At Him: Sorry, but you are wrong. The driver of a car should not be expected to light a lady's cigarette. Safety is more important than chivalry. That split second of "politeness" could land you both in the hospital — or worse.

How will you know when the real thing comes along? Ask Ann Landers. Send for her booklet "Love Or Sex And How To Tell The Difference." Send six in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request.

**Sale of \$25 Million in Storm Drain Bonds Set**

The County Flood Control District has been authorized to sell an additional \$25 million in 1958 and 1964 storm drain bonds.

Proceeds from the upcoming sale when added to present cash and investment balances remaining from previous offerings will finance construction work on the programs until the spring of 1968.

## Slim and Trim Class to Open

A slim and trim program under the instruction of Mrs. Sylvia Wanner will begin Oct. 2 at Perry Park Recreation Center in Redondo Beach. Classes will be held on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10 to 11 for 20 lessons.

\$5 million from the 1958 program and \$20 million from the 1964 bond issue will be offered.

Chace said this will be the 15th sale of 1958 drain bonds with \$210 million sold in 14 prior sales. A total of \$225 million was authorized to finance the undertaking.

It is the seventh offering of 1964 bonds with \$80,050,000 having been sold in six previous sales. A total of \$275 million was provided for construction of 267 storm drainage systems in various county areas, Chace added.

## Pancake Breakfast Scheduled

Boy Scout Troop 242 of North Torrance will sponsor its fifth annual Scout Benefit Pancake Breakfast Saturday, Sept. 23, from 8 a.m. until noon, according to chairman Robert Taft.

The breakfast will be served in the parking lot at the Boys Market, Van Ness Avenue and Redondo Beach Boulevard.

Pancakes, scrambled eggs, juice, sausage, and coffee or milk will be served by Scout dads. A donation of 50 cents is being asked for each ticket.

TICKETS MAY BE purchased from any member of Scout Troop 242, as well as from Troop 725 and Explorer Post 725X of Holly Park, Troop 723 of Gardena, Troop 730 of North Torrance, Troop 948 of North Torrance, Troop 138 of Imperial Park, Troop 211 of South Torrance, Cub Pack 310C of North Torrance, and Cub Pack 733C of North Torrance.

Door prizes, including a portable television set, will be awarded and "Thee Sound Investment" band will provide music.

## Volleyball Classes Scheduled

Housewives are offered a chance to get out of the house for a morning of fun and exercise with the beginning of Housewives volleyball sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Registration runs Sept. 18 to 21 at the First Christian Church gymnasium, located at Eldorado and Maple streets, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The courts will also be open for practice.

Beginners will have their league play on Mondays and Wednesdays. Play for advanced women will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All games will be between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Arrangements will be made for the supervision of children for mothers enrolled in the program. A nominal fee will be charged for the service. There will be no supervision during registration week.

## Highway Plan To Be Changed

The county's Master Plan of Highways has been amended for Rolling Hills Road to be constructed 90 feet wide between Crenshaw Boulevard and Palos Verdes Drive North.

The change has been approved by the cities of Torrance, Rolling Hills, and Rolling Hills Estates.



THE TAKE-OVER... Bernard W. Baron (at right) talks with W. H. (Bill) Beckman, outgoing president of the Independent Insurance Agents of the South Bay prior to installation ceremonies to be held this evening in Redondo Beach. Baron is the new president of the group, which includes insurance agencies in El Segundo, the Beach Cities, Torrance, Gardena, and the Palos Verdes Peninsula. (Press-Herald Photo)

# Your Second Front Page Press-Herald

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TENTH BABY... Mrs. Julian Luger (left) holds her new daughter, Ann Louise, while Lucille Meyer, R. N., looks on at Torrance Memorial Hospital. Ann Louise is the 10th child in the Luger family and the eighth to be born at Torrance Memorial Hospital. As a gift, the hospital is picking up the tab for the baby's care and the Women's Auxiliary has added a \$10 package of baby pictures. Six boys and four girls in the Luger family range in age from 17 years to 5 days. "I love my large family," Julian Luger commented, "but as far as giving anyone else advice—I have absolutely no message." (Press-Herald Photo)

## Braille Institute Needs Drivers, Teacher Aides

Volunteer drivers and classroom assistants are needed at the Braille Institute for the fall semester which begins on Monday with an expected enrollment of 600 blind students from throughout Southern California.

New classes include concept formation, for students who have been blind since birth; adjustment to blindness, taught by the staff psychologist; abacus, the age-old method of bead counting; and real estate law. There are also classes in personal charm, personality development and ballroom dancing.

Drivers need to drive only one or two days a week if they wish and they need to drive only blind students in their own areas.

## Independent Insurance Agents Elect Officers

Bernard Baron will be installed this evening as president of the Independent Insurance Agents of the South Bay. Baron succeeds William H. (Bill) Beckman as president of the association.

Installation ceremonies are to be held at the Lobster House in Redondo Beach at 7:30 p.m. today.

Other new officers to be installed include C. Fred Barth, the new vice president; Gerald Ennis, secretary-treasurer; and Terry Lynch, director.

The association includes some 30 independent insurance agencies in El Segundo, the Beach Cities, Torrance, Gardena, and the Palos Verdes Peninsula.

The association sponsors three \$500 scholarships which are awarded annually to students in the South Bay Union High School District, and also underwrites insurance coverages for the school district, the South Bay District Hospital, and for El Camino College.

FOR ADDITIONAL information on volunteer drivers, classroom assistants, and registration, please call the Braille Institute.

The Braille Institute, located at 741 N. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, offers more than 120 classes, services, and activities to the blind of all ages. It is supported by donations, contributions, and bequests in wills.

Special classes and activities which will be offered include the "Monday Morning Quarterback Club," which has guest personalities from the world of sports; square dancing every Tuesday evening; regular dancing on the first Friday evening of every month, and a Sunshine Club for blind senior citizens, which meets every Wednesday morning.

## COUNT MARCO

# It's Time to Bury Basic Black

Fashion designers are threatening to bring back the dead "Widow's Weeds," so I go forth to slay once again. I killed the basic black when it was at the peak of fashion, making every cocktail party or theatre opening look like a festive wake. So, certainly I should be able to slay it easily in its new infancy.

However, I must not waste time. Jacques Tiffeau says, "Black is going to be very important this year." Mon Dieu! Black crepe used to be tacked on death's door.

Pauline Triger's comment on disaster's favorite color, "Black is back and here to stay. We must always remember that we have busts, waists and hips." What makes Mme. Triger think that women don't have busts, waists and hips in vivid colors?

To quote another fashion authority, "Little black dresses will be worn with little black low-heeled shoes and sheer, sooty stockings." True, if you're dressing for the mud flats.

While I'm in a killing mood, there are other fashion monsters to be attacked.

Femininity's worst slayer, Rudi Gernreich, says, "You must involve yourself in playing a game. You can be anything, a Renaissance court jester, a clown, a gangster. Clothes are costuming, spoofing, funny." More like hysterical, I'd say.

According to one designer, the "Now Woman" will wear an at-home costume of velvet overalls "like Tom Jones." The only connection I see between the title and Tom Jones is that when a wife

hips her way up to her husband and whispers throatily, "Now?" he looks her over, shakes his head and says, "No, not now!"

To make fashion's sickness worse and my work more difficult another designer claims, "High fashion is not seen enough of a woman's legs." So, he has focused on the legs right up to the fanny with matching stripes on socks and panty girdle.

If there breathes a man with soul so dead that he thinks a panty girdle, with or without matching stripes, is sexy, go mark him well for there indeed is a man who's so dead his soul left long ago.

Stay with me and I'll lead you to the promised land of femininity. The first step is to strike down basic black—down six feet under.

## Teachers Hear Superintendent Describe Goals

"Learning Unlimited" will be the goal for every child in every classroom in Torrance during the coming school year.

So said Dr. J. H. Hull, superintendent of schools, at a back-to-school meeting of the district's 1,200 teachers Monday morning. The 10:30 a.m. orientation session at West High School highlighted a series of faculty meetings scheduled for the four days preceding the start of the school year.

"Parents give children life," Dr. Hull told the teachers. "Teachers give them the art of living well."

ADVISING teachers to accentuate the positive, the superintendent pointed out that praise rather than criticism gets results.

"A child cannot learn if he is taught to fear for his mistakes," Dr. Hull said. "School is the place where a child learns from his mistakes."

"However," he cautioned, "a school system must be critical of itself and constantly improve what it has to offer if it doesn't want to grow complacent."

POINTING OUT that the study of English cannot be overemphasized, Dr. Hull stated, "If there is one subject that comes after reading in importance, it is English."

Included in a series of new district curriculum publications prepared during the summer by teachers in the Torrance schools, Dr. Hull said, were teachers' guides for fourth, fifth, and sixth grade English students. New guides for the teaching of seventh and eighth grade English were prepared a year ago, the superintendent pointed out.

Other new publications put out by the staff during the summer listed by the superintendent included: a kindergarten handbook, a home-making handbook, a publication on drugs and narcotics abuse, a guide for Spanish instruction, Spanish testing material, a teachers' manual on the history of Torrance, and an industrial arts guide.

"SOCIETY DECIDES for the schools what they will or will not do," Dr. Hull concluded. "We waste our time if we hide behind stock answers to the questions parents raise. Our guide is the Board of Education which sets up the policies that guide our community. Torrance schools are based on the theory that the schools are in partnership with parents to train children for good citizenship."

Preceding the keynote speaker, welcome addresses were extended to the teachers by Board of Education President Bert M. Lynn; PTA Council president, Mrs. Perry Baker, and Mayor Albert Isen.

Special guests included the four surviving members of the district's original Board of Education, Mrs. Evelyn Carr, Mrs. Grace Wright, George Thatcher, and Dr. Howard Wood.

OTHER PLATFORM guests were: current board members Dr. Donald Wilson, Dr. Owen Griffith, and William Hanson; and former board members Dr. Clinton Cooke, William Boswell, and Robert Ellis.

Also among the guests were Torrance Education Association President Keith Weideman; Dr. Robert Fleming, moderator of the Educational Council of Torrance; City Manager Edward Ferraro; Chamber of Commerce President Larry Bowman; Chamber of Commerce Manager J. Walker Owens; and Rev. Arthur Nagel, president of the Torrance Ministerial Association.

Educators included: Dr. Robert Bersi, assistant to the president of the California State College at Dominguez; Dr. Wallace Cohen, supervisor of instruction at El Camino College; and assistant superintendents Dr. Albert Posner, Dr. Robert Morton, Dr. Louis Aplan, and Dr. Frank Mattox of the Torrance Unified School District.

## Classes In Acting To Begin

Two classes in basic acting will be offered this fall by the Joslyn Center of Arts, sponsored by the Torrance Recreation Department.

Basic acting I for the beginner will start next Tuesday and continue for 10 weeks, meeting Tuesday from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Torrance Community Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd. The class will emphasize speech, movement, characterization, play analysis, and performance.

Basic acting II is a continuation class for those who have completed basic acting I. It will begin Sept. 21 and continue for 10 weeks. Classes will be held each Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Torrance Recreation Center.

Both classes are geared for children 10 through 17. Mel Grubb will be the instructor. A fee of \$3 will be charged for each course.

## Gem Society Sets Meeting

Dave Aukburg will show his award winning display of rock slides to members of the Palos Verdes Gem and Mineral Society Tuesday, Sept. 19.

The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at Rancho Vista Elementary School, 4323 Palos Verdes Drive North, Rolling Hills Estates.